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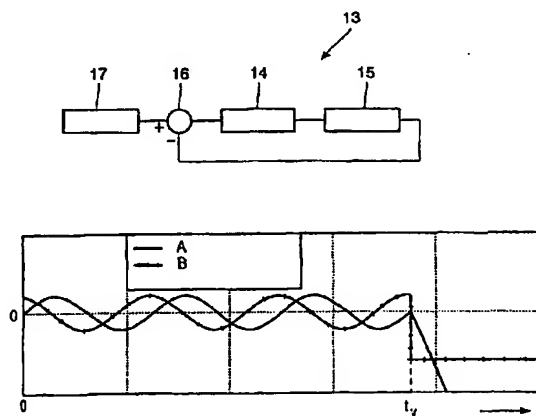
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(57) Abstract: Method and device for detecting the occurrence of a malfunction upon movement of an element (7) by means of a driving system. While the element is being moved, a difference (curve A) between a predetermined, desired value and an actual value is determined at regular intervals by means of a processor (14,15,16,17). Furthermore, a derivative (curve B) of said difference is determined by means of the processor at regular intervals, wherein said difference and said derivative both fluctuate round an equilibrium value. Following this, only the values on one side of the equilibrium value of both the difference and the derivative are taken. The values of the difference are multiplied by the values of the derivative, and the result of the multiplication is compared with a reference value by means of the processor. The occurrence of a malfunction is established if the result of the multiplication is higher than the reference value.